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Robert Jackson, Esquire  
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SEP - 8 1983

Re: EPA Inspection of Clearview Landfill

Dear Mr. Jackson:

The Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") would like to inspect the Clearview Landfill located in Darby Township, Pennsylvania on a mutually convenient date between September 6, 1983 and September 15, 1983. According to records reviewed by EPA, your client, Mr. D. Richard Heller, is the owner of the site.

Section 104(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. § 9604(a), charges EPA with the responsibility of determining whether there is or has been a release, or substantial threat of a release, of a hazardous substance into the environment. In order to make such a determination, EPA may invoke its authority under Sections 104(b) and 104 (e)(1) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9604(b) and (e)(1).

Pursuant to these sections of CERCLA, EPA is authorized to undertake investigation, monitoring, surveys, testing and other information gathering as is deemed appropriate to identify the existence and extent of a release or threat of release, the source and nature of the hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants involved, and the extent of danger to the public health or welfare or to the environment.

Based on prior State inspections and sample analyses performed at the site, EPA has reason to believe that a release of a hazardous substance or pollutant may have occurred. According to the State sample analyses, leachate at your client's site contains heavy metals and organic chemicals. Hazardous substances such as lead, cyanide, and phenol were found in the leachate. In addition, sampling analyses indicate that some of these substances also appear in Darby Creek. Enclosed are copies of the State inspection reports and analyses.

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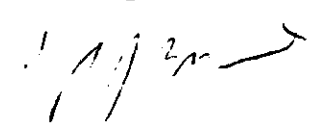
As a result, EPA would like to sample and inspect your client's landfill. The proposed sampling plan includes the following:

1. Sampling of surface soils throughout the site.
2. An upstream and downstream aqueous sample from Darby Creek.
3. Leachate samples.
4. Samples from standing water on site.

The number of samples to be taken will not exceed twenty (20). Sample analyses will be performed for organic priority pollutants, inorganics and cyanide. In addition, air monitoring pumps may be used to characterize the quality of the ambient air.

Please contact Mr. Pat McManus to arrange a mutually convenient inspection date between the above dates. If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact me at (215) 597-7539. Thank You.

Sincerely Yours,



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Assistant Regional Counsel